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SUBJECT: PRESS COMMENT ON POSSIBLE USE BY LA OF RAW MATERIAL EXPORTS AS BARGAINING LEVER WITH U.S.

- 1. MEXICO CITY DAILY NOVEDADES ON FEB 12 PUBLISHED STORY ALLEGEDLY EMANATING FROM PERUVIAN AND VENEZUELAN DELEGATES TO TECHNICAL-LEVEL SESSIONS HERE PRECEDING LA MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS. STORY SUGGESTED THAT WAYS AND MEANS WERE BEING DISCUSSED TO USE U.S. RELIANCE ON RAW MATERIALS (PRESUMABLY INCLUDING PETROLEUM AND MINERALS) AS A LEVER TO GAIN LA POINTS IN US-LA DISCUSSIONS. JUSTIFICATION WAS THAT THIS WOULD BE DONE JUST AS U.S. ALLEGEDLY HAS USED ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO INFLUENCE LA NATIONS IN THE PAST.
- 2. COMMENT: WHILE THERE IS NOTHING NEW IN THE IDEA OF LA COUNTRIES TAKING ADVANTAGE OF U.S. NEEDS FOR RAW MATERIALS TO ADD STRENGTH TO ITS POSITION, IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT STORY IS FLOATING IN MEXICO CITY IN DAYS PRECEDING MFM.
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